

## REMARKS

Claims 1 through 13 are pending in the application. Claim 1 is the only independent claim.

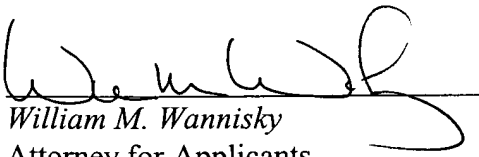
Claims 1 through 7 and 10 through 12 have been amended to even more succinctly define the invention and/or to improve their form. Claim 13 has been added to accord Applicants a scope of protection commensurate with the disclosure. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

The amendments presented herein were informally discussed with Examiner Lee in a telephone conversation of March 9, 2005. The Examiner tentatively agreed that the amendments would be entered if formally presented.

Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the application are earnestly solicited.

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